

HOSPITAL LICENSURE

MATERNAL AND NEWBORN SERVICE REGULATIONS

LEVEL DESIGNATION DEFINITIONS

Before completing the Application for Maternal and Newborn Service Designation please review the following definitions:

Level IA Service shall mean a community-based maternal and newborn service with a *well newborn nursery* that provides for the care and management of maternal conditions consistent with American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG) guidelines, including management of pregnancies judged *unlikely to deliver before 35 weeks gestation*.

Level IB Service shall mean a Level I community-based maternal and newborn service with a *continuing care nursery* that provides for the care and management of maternal conditions consistent with ACOG guidelines, including management of pregnancies judged *unlikely to deliver before 35 weeks gestation*.

Level II Service shall mean a community-based maternal and newborn service with a *Special Care Nursery* including Level IIA and Level IIB services that meets the requirements in 105 CMR 130.640.

Level IIA Service shall mean a community-based Level II maternal and newborn service with a *Special Care Nursery* that provides for the care and management of maternal conditions consistent with ACOG guidelines, including management of pregnancies judged *unlikely to deliver before 34 weeks gestation*.

Level IIB Service shall mean a community-based maternal and newborn service with a *Special Care Nursery* that provides for the care and management of maternal conditions consistent with ACOG guidelines, including management of pregnancies judged *unlikely to deliver before 32 weeks gestation* and that meets the requirements in 105 CMR 130.640.

Level III Maternal and Newborn Service shall mean a maternal and newborn service that provides for the care and management of maternal conditions consistent with ACOG guidelines, including pregnancies at *all gestational ages* and meets the requirements in 130.650.

Freestanding Pediatric Hospital with Neonatal Subspecialty Services (NICU ONLY) shall mean a service that has the capabilities to provide care to moderately to severely ill neonates who require *neonatal intensive care services* and to newborns with actual medical problems.